

United States, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

LOS ANGELES/ALASKA WATER RESOURCES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4545, To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration project; and S. 1338, Alaska Water Resources Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Senator Murkowski; from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Robert Hirsch, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey; and Larry Todd, Deputy Commissioner, Policy, Administration and Budget, Bureau of Reclamation; and a public witness.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 2829, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Souder, Terry, Latham, Graves, Boozman, Lynch, and Bean.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on

Reauthorization of the National Transportation Safety Board. Testimony was heard from Mark V. Rosenker, Acting Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board.

OVERSIGHT—EPA, NOAA, AND TVA BUDGETS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment concluded oversight hearings on Agency Budgets and Priorities for FY 2007 for the following Agencies: EPA, NOAA, and TVA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Benjamin H. Grumbles, Assistant Administrator, Water; and Susan Parker Bodine, Assistant Administrator, Solid Waste and Emergency Response; John H. Dunnigan, Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and Bill Baxter, Chairman, TVA.

OVERSIGHT—IMPROVING VETERANS QUALITY CARE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held an oversight hearing on improving access to quality care for our nation's veterans through collaboration with affiliated medical institutions and the Department of Defense and the operation of integrated medical facilities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Jonathan B. Perlin, M.D., Acting Under Secretary of Health; and Michael E. Moreland, Director and Chief Executive Officer, VA Pittsburgh Health Care System; William Winkenwerder, Jr., M.D., Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

DIRECTOR—NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Director of National Intelligence Fiscal Year 2007 Budget. Testimony was heard from Ambassador John D. Negroponte, Director, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 135)

S. 1777, to provide relief for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Signed on March 6, 2006. (Public Law 109-176)